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An Ideal Group

FOR the philatelist whose inclinations run in the line of rare old stamps, the first issues of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick should readily commend themselves Truly this is an ideal group for the stamps were used, and had become obselete before the philatelic mania had become of any moment Thus this group is free of the slightest suspicion of catering to the greed of dealers. The plates were destroyed years ago, and there exists no government remainders. Add to these qualifications, that the Nova Scotia and New Brunswick governments do not issue stamps n ow.

Here is good philatelic propetry truly. They are better than government bonds. Their age endears them to the collector, for every philatelist is at heart an antiquarian. The date of issue is 1851; what changes have occurred since then! Even the currency has changed. This is what Scott quoted for used specimens in the 47th Edition (1887):—

NOVA SCOTIA.

1d. brown	$1 00
3d. blue	20
3d. dark blue	50
6d. green	1 00
1s. violet	1 00

NEW BRUNSWICK.

3d. red	$ 50
6d. yellow	1 50
1s. violet	1 50

Here are the 57th quotations :—

NOVA SCOTIA.

1d. brown	$8 00
3d. blue	1 50
3d. dark blue	1 75
6d. yellow green	10 00
6d. dark green	13 50
1s. violet	140 00
1s. mauve	175 00

NEW BRUNSWICK.

3d. red	4 00
6d. yellow	80 00
1s. violet	150 00
1s. mauve	175 00

Nor must we forget Newfoundland, the artistic stamps of which colony have ever been favorites. No prettier lot of stamps can be found than the Newfoundland contingent, most of which can be obtained at low prices.

C. P. A. Reorganization!

To Members Canadian Philatelic Association:—

GENTLEMEN.— Re reorganization of the Canadian Philatelic Association. Owing to the non-appearance of the official organ, matters have had to be delayed for a further period. An election of officers had been decided upon, and nominations sent to the secretary for the purpose of publication, which, however, was not carried out for the above reason. In view of this delay it is considered advisable to request an expression of opinion from the members as to the extent in which they are prepared to assist in the work All interested are requested to address the undersigned, in order that a decision may be arrived at in the near future

I have the honor to be, gentlemen, your obedient servant,

ERNEST F. WURTELE,

President Canadian Philatelic Association.

THE *Era* has an innovation—nothing less than a review column, and under the control of Mr. W. C. Stone, too. It's a pity he hadn't taken the trouble to find out the facts before criticising our remarks *re* Halifax for 1898 Convention, but we have met with such things before, and it's like hanging,—you get used to it. Mr. S glams a little in recalling the C. P. A. Convention at Halifax in 1889, which would seem to point that his mania for chronicling new issues hasn't dried up all his soul.

IT gives us pleasure to present to our readers the pleasant countenance of Mr J. Foster Rood, the well known stamp collector. The subject of this sketch was born in Sherbrooke, Guysboro County, some twenty-two years ago, and began collecting stamps at an early age. Mr. Rood is identified as one of the largest dealers in Newfoundland stamps on the continent. His connection with the Newfoundland stamp business is one of marked success. At the formation of the Halifax Philatelic Club, Mr Rood proved himself a philatelist of the first rank, and was unanimously elected Vice President, which office he will fill with precision Mr. Rood is in the strictest sence of the word a brilliant speaker, and one that most any philatelic club in the world would be proud of. Mr. Rood is an active member of a good many clubs in this city, and is the star of them all. He is a believer in philatelic advertising, and he puts that belief to a practical test. There are many other peculiarities attached to Mr Rood's moral qualities which we have tested by personal observation, and it gives us great pleasure to say that he is worthy of confidence. Mr. Rood is an active member of the D. P. A., and Vice-President of the H. P. C.

J. FOSTER ROOD,
VICE-PRESIDENT HALIFAX PHILATELIC CLUB.

E. A. W.

THE *Stamp Reporter* surprises us from St. Catharine's, Ontario. It is not half bad. Gents, we extend our fin.

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MR. ADAMS, of Toronto, announces his intention to resume the publication of the *Canadian Philatelic Magazine* We hope he will; no one wanted it to die.

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THE HALIFAX PHILATELIC CLUB was formed on 2nd September. Membership is limited to Nova Scotia. Edw A. WHELAN, Secretary, Room 19, Bedford Chambers, Halifax.

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A. M. MUIRHEAD, - - - - - - - - Editor.
ED. A. WHALEN, - - - - - - - Associate Editor.

LAST month we had occasion to refer in very flattering terms to our friend the *Philatelic Advocate*. It appears, however, that we stated parenthetically, that as a paper it was not perfect This remark seems to have ruffled Mr. Starnaman, who comes forth with a lot of badly composed rot to the effect that his paper is "more perfect than the H. P. M." Gents, we dont want to blow our own trumpet, and yet what can we do? If we did not consider the H. P. M. a better paper than the *Advocate* we would cease publication. We advise our blatant friend to scrutinize his journal closely, and see if there is a line in it that would interest any philatelist over nine years of age. We merely said it wasn't perfect, but this month we might be excused if we give a few particulars, since our enumeration of our friend's good qualities has inspired resentment in his breast. We said that up to the time our September number was issued, no readable account of the D. P. A. convention had appeared. We repeat it. The report in the *Advocate* was a good example of what might be expected from an intelligent young man of prepossessing appearance who has had his brains removed prior to the writing of the article. It remained for an American paper, the *Pennsylvania Philatelist* to publish the only readable account of the Meet. We hate to suggest it, but if someone (not necessarily a philatelist) would smother H. I. Watts in his sleep or creep up behind him and soak him with a paving stone, it would be a good thing for the *Advocate* and a relief to the community. Such stuff as "The Dirigo Stamp Co" a continued story, should be firmly and righteously placed in the Waste Paper Basket while in the Mss. state. While on the

subject of our contemporary's imperfections, we must not omit to mention its botch printing which is a source of wonder to us monthly. Sometimes indeed we have been amused to see Starnaman put out a wild medley of body type, display type, leads, rules, borders, &c, and label it "*Philatelic Advocate*" Ah Starnaman, get your hair cut! Life's too short to quarrel with a man who thinks himself Lord God, and into the murky depths of whose intellect, the faintest spark of human kindness has never percolated.

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The proprietors received a very pleasant visit from Mr Sidney Mulhall, of Liverpool, N. S., at the "only philatelic office in Eastern Canada" Mr Mulhall placed in our hands the subscription of himself and a lady philatelist of his town, and had many kind words to say about the Magazine. Mr. Mulhall went away with the H. P. M.'s best wishes, and a couple of D. P. A application blanks.

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We learn with pleasure that Mr. L. M. Stæbler, erstwhile of London, Ontario, is again in the business, this time as manager of the Johnstown Stamp & Publishing Co., of Johnstown, Pa. While we regret that the land of the alleged free has claimed Mr. Stæbler, we take a great amount of pleasure in extending our most sincere good wishes for a prosperous business for his company, and a long and successful career for his promised publication, the *Revenue Philatelist*

Quebec, 4th September, 1897.

Dear Sirs.—I beg to advise you of the death of a well known Canadian philatelist, the late Mr. Cleo C. Morency, of this city, who died on the 29th of August On returning from church, in the morning, he complained of chills and went to bed. Later on, finding that he was becoming worse, the doctor was sent for, but did not arrive until after death had taken place. He was buried on the first of September. Mr. Morency was well and favourably known to philatelists, not only in Canada but in Europe. He was Exchange Superintendent of the Canadian Philatelic Association. His collection was the largest in Quebec, to which he had devoted many years in the collection of the same. This information will doubtless be received with regret by his many friends.

Yours truly,

Ernest F. Wurtele,
President Canadian Philatelic Association.

To Editors Halifax Philatelic Magazine.

[Apropos to the above, we can only add our note of regret at the sudden and unexpected decease of Mr. Morency, who was one of Canada's representative collectors.—Editor.

ED. A. WHALEN, H. P. C.
ASSOCIATE EDITOR HALIFAX PHILATELIC MAGAZINE.

OUR cut gives us a fair idea of what Mr. Edward A. Whalen looks like Mr. Whalen will tell you that he is but eighteen years of age, but we fear his mania for posing as an infant prodigy sometimes leads him from the strict path of veracity. Let this be as it may, our Associate Editor began stamp collecting at the age of eight, and at nine knew more about the science than he does at present. Since then he has learned a great many things, and also unlearned many. His birthplace was the old historic city of Halifax, and he has pledged his life to the advancement of the city and province. Being on the staff of the *Maritime Grocer and Industrial Advocate*, his opportunities are many. Mr. Whalen is a journalist to the core, having graduated from an American college of journalism some time ago. He faces life complacently and with aplomb, not with over-confidence but yet not with self distrust. Mr. Whalen joined the H. P. M. when its destinies was doubtful, and hopefulness has inspired us and there is now no doubt. At the organization meeting, he was chosen Secretary-Treasurer of the Halifax Philatelic Club, a local society in whose ranks nearly all the active collectors of the city are to be found. His friends are everywhere, and if you ask what's the matter with Neddie, the answer will come promptly and decidedly, "He's all right" While on the subject of his accomplishments, we must not omit to mention that the study of law occupied his attention for two years, and that as an impromptu orator he is in his glory. He has a temperance lecture which he can deliver with local variations to suit any town in Canada, and can argue by the hour in favor of the Conservative policy on the Manitoba School Question. When dealing with this later mix-up, he frequently talks black into white, at least that is my opinion. He upholds the N. P., but those who know him intimately can forgive him this in view of his many good qualities.

A. M. M.

WE regret to learn as we go to press that Miss Beatrice O'Neill, a Halifax daughter of Philately, has left this city and gone to reside in the land of the liberty bird.

The Halifax Philatelic Club.

[HEADQUARTERS: ....ROOM 19 BEDFORD CHAMBERS.]

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THIS Club was formed on the 2nd of September, and since then three meetings have been held. Meetings first and third Thursday of each month. Membership is limited to the Province of Nova Scotia. Dues, $1 00 per annum, and joining fee of 15 cents. The Club starts with the following members—

1. Edw. A. Whalen.
2. A. M. Muirhead.
3. J. R. Findlay.
4. W. F. Van Malder.
5. J. Foster Rood.
6. Fred. Reynolds.
7. Henry Hechler.

About a dozen collectors have held back pending permanent organization, and are now expected to join. Applications for membership from city and provincial collectors cordially invited.

EDWARD A. WHALEN, *Secretary-Treasurer.*

THE *Perforator* echoes the cry, "HALIFAX FOR 1898." Marris, Starnamen, and other distinguished pipe-hitters are loudly howling that the East have no right to the Convention. The conscience of the Society, however, is behind Halifax, represented in Ontario by such men as Widdicombe and Beatty, and in the United States by Chapman and others.

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